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Marsan et al.

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For: System and Method for Processing

Retrieval Requests

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 18, 2002 (Paper No. 5), Applicants respectfully submit the following response in the above-referenced application. As set forth below, Applicants submit that the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102, 103 and 112 have been

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In the Claims:

All pending claims are herewith provided for the convenience of the Examiner.

- 1. A system for processing transaction data comprising:
- a substitute draft system operable to receive a retrieval request and to generate a substitute draft in response to the retrieval request;
- a merchant interface coupled to the substitute draft system, the merchant interface operable to generate a merchant request in response to the retrieval request; and